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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 601
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Dr. Elbert Ross, on
his selection as 1997 Tennessee State Principal
of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay
tribute to those exemplary teachers who have given unreservedly of themselves to develop this
state's most precious natural resource—our children; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elbert Ross, principal at East Middle School in Nashville, is one such
remarkable person, a voice of integrity in education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ross has recently been selected 1997 Tennessee State Principal of the
Year by the National Association of Secondary School principals and MetLife, an honor most
befitting his meritorious service to education and his devotion to the lives of the children at East
Middle School; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ross has served his school with enthusiasm, industry and singular
acumen; and

WHEREAS, he is an extremely patient and giving person who motivates his faculty and
students to reach their full potential, perhaps the greatest of all teaching gifts; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ross is a never-ending source of inspiration to those who know and
cherish him and is tremendously admired by students and staff alike; and

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WHEREAS, highly regarded as a professional and friend, Dr. Ross is the perfect example of a person totally committed to quality education and the highest ideals of public service, and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Dr. Elbert Ross on being chosen as 1997 Tennessee State Principal of the Year and commend his meritorious service to education, salute his expertise and dedication as an administrator, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.